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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the following:

In the Claims:

Please enter the following amended claim:

(Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the antioxidant contains one of the following substructures:

HO>=<OH HO>=-=<OH

or a derivative thereof in which of one or both OH (preferably only one) the H has been replaced by an organic group.

Please cancel claims 38 and 44.